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WASTE MANAGEMENT

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- 1. THE EC ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON R&D WASTE MANAGEMENT PROVIDED INFORMAL APPROVAL IN JUNE FOR THE COMMISSION TO PROCEED WITH MORE SERIOUS DISCUSSIONS WITH DOE ON A COOPERATION ARRANGEMENT IN WASTE MANAGEMENT.
- 2. MISSION FORWARDED REF (A) SUMMARIZING THE EC POSITION AND ADVISING THAT THE EC (ORLOWSKI) WOULD BE SENDING LETTER TO DOE (PERGE) PROPOSING THAT A MEETING BE HELD TO IDENTIFY SPECIFIC PROJECTS FOR COOPERATION. TEXT OF LETTER ORLOWSKI SENT TO PERGE JUNE 22 FOLLOWS. BEGIN QUOTE:

DEAR MR. PERGE, I AM PLEASED TO INFORM YOU THAT OUR ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE CEC R&D WASTE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM UNCLASSIFIED

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EXPRESSED LAST WEEK A POSITIVE INTEREST FOR A COOPERATION CEC-DOE ON THAT MATTER.

I SUBSEQUENTLY PROPOSE THAT THE NEXT MOVE WILL BE A SECOND MEETING BETWEEN DOE AND CEC REPRESENTATIVES, TO DISCUSS LEGAL MATTERS ON ONE HAND, AND THE DETAILED TECHNICAL CONTENT OF THE AGREEMENT ON THE OTHER.

WE PROPOSE ANY TIME IN THE LAST WEEK OF SEPTEMBER, OR IN

THE FIRST ONE OF OCTOBER FOR SUCH A MEETING; WE SHALL BE GLAD TO RECEIVE FROM YOU WELL IN ADVANCE A MODEL OF A POSSIBLE COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT TO SUBMIT TO OUR LEGAL SERVICE AND PATENT DEPARTMENT.

WE WILL ALSO SEND YOU, BY SEPARATE MAIL, TO INFORM YOU MORE IN DETAILS ON OUR WORK:

- 1) A DRAFT COPY OF THE RADWASTE PROGRAM SECOND ANNUAL REPORT (INDIRECT ACTION) (PLEASE KEEP IT CONFIDENTIAL TILL THE PUBLICATION, EXPECTED END OF THIS YEAR).
- 2) THE TWO LAST SEMI-ANNUAL REPORTS OF THE JRC RADWASTE PROGRAM (DIRECT ACTION) FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY. (SIGNED) S. ORLOWSKI, HEAD OF DIVISION, XII/D/1. END QUOTE.
- 3. SINCE ORLOWSKI WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE UNTIL LATE SEPTEMBER, MISSION DISCUSSED REF (B) REQUEST WITH LAFONTAINE WHO IS ACTING FOR ORLOWSKI. LAFONTAINE INDICATED THAT EC IS STILL VERY MUCH INTERESTED IN COOPERATION IN WASTE MANAGEMENT.
- 4. MISSION RECOMMENDS DOE SELECT SEVERAL CANDIDATES FOR COOPERATION IN WASTE MANAGEMENT AND PROPOSE DATE TO MEET AND DISCUSS POSSIBLE COOPERATION IN THESE AREAS WITH THE EC. MISSION ALSO RECOMMENDS USE OF THE CONCEPT OF LETTER UNCLASSIFIED

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EXCHANGE (INCLUDING MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING) DISCUSSED IN REF (A) AS MODEL TO IMPLEMENT COOPERATIVE ARRANGEMENTS WHICH MIGHT EMERGE FROM THE WASTE MANAGEMENT DISCUSSIONS. MCCARTHY

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